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SHAG SECURED FOR NEXT YEAR

Contract Announced Signed Last Night

CHANGE IN RULES

Suggested by Dr. Elder — Paisley, Laing and Dr. Elder For Union

A number of items of importance came before the meeting of the Rugby Football Club last night. Mr. Lee was in the chair. It was pointed out that a dinner had been tendered the R.M.C. team upon the advice of Messrs. Dixon and Macdonald. Mr. Lee read a statement of the possible standing of the club which showed a surplus of over \$2,000.

The contract with Mr. Shaughnessy was discussed and the president stated that "Shag" had signed up for next year at the same salary as this year.

"Pep" Paisley was appointed representative to the next meeting of the Canadian Intercollegiate Football Union. It was agreed to have Dr. Elder present at the next meeting of the C. I. F. U. as the other delegate in order that he might be present to advocate the changes which he suggested should be made, at the Football Banquet held a short time ago. George Laing, as president of the Union, will also be there.

Regarding the case of Mr. Donnelly, Mr. Lee intimated that he had written two people in the east in order to get as much information as possible relative to Joe Donnelly's standing. A thorough investigation will be made.

The proposed changes in the rules of the game were put forth by Dr. Elder who was present, and are as follows:—

1. When a drop kick is scored have the kick-off a placed kick on the forty-yard line.
2. Do away with side scrimmages. This will reduce the number of players to twelve.
3. A "fair catch," which gives three yards, be allowed instead of the present ruling.
4. A head lines-man should be instituted with the same standing as the umpire and the referee.
5. On interference to lose ten yards instead of losing the ball. No penalty should be given to lose more than half distance when within ten yard line and "downs" be continued.

CUNNING COMMENTS COMING FROM FUNNY FEMINIST

"Daily Telegraph" Makes Interesting Observations on Recent Unique Event

"Miss Howard hit rock-bottom when she said that a good deal of 'soft sentiment' lay at the back of most of the objections to woman suffrage."

"Mr. Hall, who took part in the debate at very short notice, confined his remarks to a lurid picture of the tired working man who comes home at night and finds his suffragist wife out enjoying herself. The picture called up by Mr. Hall was too horrifying to dwell long upon now—but it convulsed his audience last night."

"Mr. Oughtred, who followed, evoked loud laughter by dealing women as the 'angelic portion of mankind.' He spoke of their 'fantastical grievances,' declaring that they were underpaid only because they were not fit to do hard labor. Grievances? They were treated only too well. Sylvia Pankhurst would not be alive today if she were a man. (This was unanswerable logic.)"

"Miss Currie, first speaker for the affirmative, showed a better understanding of the laws of debating than did any of the other speakers. She advanced a constructive policy, arguing that the principle of good government demands a majority vote; the woman's point of view can't be given by her husband—supposing she has one—that she has a right to make laws which she must obey."

"It was an audience that expected a good time, a glorious time, a hilarious time, at the McGill Union last night—and they got it. Interest in the unchanging laws of debate was secondary to personal interest in the speakers. Perhaps the fact that representatives of the Royal Victoria College met members of the McGill Literary and Debating Society for the first time in open debate had something to do with the informality of the occasion. This kind of debate was an innovation, and so rather a joke—to the men, at least."

CANADIAN CLUB MEETING POSTPONED.

The president of the Canadian Club has received a despatch from Hon. Sydney Fisher, announcing that owing to the death of his father, he will be unable to speak to us on Monday. He expressed his desire, however, to address the club some time after the Christmas holidays. The meeting of the Canadian Club called for Monday next will therefore be postponed.

CHAMPIONSHIP IS DECLINED

McGill Refuses Track Honors Under Circumstances

PROTEST LODGED

Kingston Track Said to be in Bad Condition for Intercollegiate Meet

A well attended meeting of the executive of the track club was held yesterday afternoon in Strathcona Hall. Among the number of important matters which have crept up since the season closed, of primary importance was the discussion on the Intercollegiate Track situation.

The decision was reached regarding the communication on the subject, which had been received from Prof. McLeod. This letter said that Toronto's points in the Intercollegiate were void, due to Varsity's neglect of technical rules, and that McGill was entitled to claim the meet. A motion was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that a reply be sent to Prof. McLeod stating that the Track Club would not accept the championship under such exceptional circumstances.

The secretary was instructed to write to Professor McLeod protesting against the condition of the Queen's athletic grounds, where the meet was held. The action of the president and vice-president in leading their co-operation to the indoor meet was ratified. A discussion on the granting of an M to a man who had not passed his physical examination was held. It was decided that it was not in the club's power to withhold the M, as it had already been granted by the Athletic Association, but it was decided that in the future the matter would be carefully attended to, and that pressure would be brought to bear on the Athletic Association to prevent its recurrence.

TEA, WORK, BASKETS, AT SETTLEMENT SALE

Mothers' Club Will Dispose of Work To-morrow and Saturday

A sale of work will take place at the University Settlement, Dorchester street west to-morrow and Saturday afternoon and evening, under the auspices of the Mothers' Club. Admission is ten cents and tea will be served.

The work which will be placed on sale is the result of the efforts of the members of the Mothers' Club and some of their kind friends. All of the basket work that will be on sale, however, has been made by boys who belong to the settlement.

The work that is being accomplished in the University Settlement is meeting with splendid results, and is worthy of the encouragement of the students. Doubtless a large number will avail themselves of this opportunity of visiting the settlement and thus lending their influence to the extension of this most praiseworthy sphere of service.

McGILL GRADUATE.



MR. LYON W. JACOBS.

Advocate of Montreal, who was last Tuesday granted the right of issuing marriage licenses by the Quebec government, and is the first Jew in the Province to have the privilege granted. He graduated with the degree of B.C.I. in 1910, and is a licentiate of Laval University. He is 27 years old.

McGILL LOSLS IN HER DEBATE

Ottawa Awarded Decision at the Capital City Debate

GOOD DELIVERY

But Ground Not Covered So Well—Ottawa to Meet Varsity

In the inter-university debate held in the Normal School, Ottawa University defeated McGill, being awarded the unanimous decision of the judges. "That labor unions are more detrimental than beneficial to society," was the question discussed, the Red and White upholding the negative contention.

Messrs. L. A. Kelley and A. C. Cameron, who represented the Garnet and Grey, gave as a team the most pleasing expression of student oratory that has been heard in Ottawa for some time. Their assertions were marshalled in a manner which would do credit to older and more seasoned debaters, while the arguments were everywhere substantiated by authorities.

Their delivery, while perhaps not as easy and finished as that of the McGill representatives, was nevertheless redeemed by an unmistakable sincerity and conciseness. Messrs. D. McGuire and H. R. Farthing, who defended the negative side for the McGill, made splendid speeches, both of which were fluently delivered. But the representatives of the Red and White did not seem to cover the ground as well as did the local students.

His Honor Judge R. Gunn, in announcing the decision at which his brothers in judgment, Messrs. Thomas Mulvey and William Sykes, had arrived, congratulated the speakers of the evening, and announced the unanimous award of the debate to Ottawa University.

The University Glee Club gave several excellent songs, while a recitation by Mr. B. Lee was well received. Mr. J. Cross acted as chairman.

As a result of their victory Ottawa will meet Toronto University in the intercollegiate debating finals in Toronto next month.

DEAN OF MEDICINE TO ADDRESS MEDS.

"Skin Diseases," Subject of Lecture—Musical Programme

The Medical Society will meet tonight. Dr. Shepherd, the Dean of the Faculty, is to give the address. He will speak on "Skin Diseases," and will accompany his very interesting lecture with good illustrations.

Dr. Shepherd specializes in dermatology at the General Hospital. The senior medical students have a good chance to become acquainted with his work there. The junior men will have this opportunity of more closely coming in contact with his practice in this line. A very good musical programme will be provided. Mr. T. H. Lennie will give a vocal solo. Mr. J. H. O'Regan will play a selection on his violin and a case report will be presented by J. F. Gallagher. Mr. Wilkes, the newly appointed representative to the Students' Council, will speak. Refreshments will be served.

ECONOMICS CLUB EXECUTIVE MEET

Programme for Session Drawn Up—First Meeting Jan. 15.

At the executive meeting of the Political Economy Club the programme for the year was drawn up with the assistance of Dr. Leacock. There will be some five meetings during the second half of the session, at which ten or eleven papers will be read. One of these five meetings will be an open meeting, the programme for which will be announced later.

The subjects dealt with will include sociological, economic and political questions, and the papers will be assigned to different members while the leadership of the discussion on these papers will be assigned to other members.

The first meeting will take place on Thursday, January 15th, the hour and place of meeting to be announced later. The club will have a full membership this year as all members of the Honor Economics class have expressed their intention of joining, and there have also been several applications from outsiders.

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EXTENSIVE PASTURAGE ON FOREST RESERVES

The new regulations for Dominion Forest Reserves, which recently went into force, make full provision for the grazing of live stock on such reserves as frequently contain considerable areas of grass-land. The method to be followed is similar to that in successful operation on the National Forests in the United States. The number and kind of stock to be admitted into each reserve is determined each year by the Director of Forestry according to the capacity of the reserve.

In case of many applications for grazing rights on any one reserve, the number of stock which any one person is entitled to pasture is fixed by a "grazing unit," based on the number of stock which can be carried during the winter by a homestead or small ranch, the object being to give settlers without large grazing areas of their own the same facilities as those who have such areas. But, where there is no danger of over-grazing, the number of stock grazed by any one person on a reserve may considerably exceed this "grazing unit."

Application for grazing permits must be on special forms and should be made to the Director or local forest officer before the first of March. Small resident farmers who are dependent on the forest reserve for range for their stock receive first consideration. The Director of Forestry fixes the dues for grazing permits for each forest reserve, but the minimum dues for cattle or horses are to be five cents per head per month, and the maximum dues are to be ten cents per head per month. The rate of dues charged for sheep is to be one-fourth that charged for cattle.

Previous to these regulations only

actual settlers living in the vicinity were permitted to graze cattle (not to exceed fifty head), on these reserves, and very little grazing was done. But these new regulations permit the grazing of a much larger number of stock-owners, and also make available to the Dominion Forest Service, a source of revenue second only to that derived from the management of the timber on these reserves.

NIGHT AND DAY.

Dreary night enfolds the earth—Earth of troubles here below—Where mortal man doth struggle—Gains't tremendous odds, and great—His canopy flung upon it—Eternity's gaping void—Stands there under all, and waits—The time, when, his efforts cease, And his goal—once so splendid—is forever lost; or won—With glory's laurel crowned; Then slant night is upon him, And the rolling, crashing strains Of weird, eternal music—Breaks through the spaces of time; And all is night.

The soft rays of the morning sun—Now slant lightly over the land, And bathe the world in brilliant light—That soon awakens us to the day Of new joys and untold delights—Which come tripping in with dawn—The wild beauty of the new day—Entombs us in its mystic charms—That leads us to tasks untold—Of building splendid, mighty things—Of such lasting magnificence—God looks down on his work—And wonders at its vast beauty—Brought by the day.

C. R. HOLLAND.
—Texas Magazine.

X X 23 ALL ABOARD; TOOT-TOOT! HIGHBALL !!

NOBODY IS ASLEEP AT THE SWITCH

The Railway Club Goes to the Angus Shops To-morrow — To Leave the Union at 2 p.m. Sharp

The Railway Club has come around with the second annual trip to the Canadian Pacific Railway Company's Angus shops.

Last year this was a very successful visit as over one hundred and twenty men went along to see the place and they certainly were not disappointed.

To see huge locomotives in every stage of construction and repair, steel cars, both freight and passenger, snowploughs, and many other items of interest will be the lot of those who go. The machine that bores square holes, the tremendous hydraulic presses shaping out red hot plates into various parts of boilers, the silver-plating department, where all the headlight re-

flectors, cutlery, silverware, etc., are treated, and many other sights too numerous to mention afford a fascinating sight.

Last year part of the men present went into the flange shop just as a huge disc of blood-red steel was being formed into a boiler tube plate, and this sight proved to be new and unique to nearly all.

The party will leave, as stated before, the Union at two o'clock sharp, and will go down by street car. In case any person should miss the party going down, all they have to do is to take a car to the main and there transfer to Ontario, and still further change from that car at Davidson street and go up a short belt line to one of the gates of the shops.

THERE WAS PLENTY OF MUSIC IN THE AIR LAST NIGHT

Because Everybody Turned Up to the Orchestra Practice—Playing Was Intelligent

The practice of the Students' Orchestra last night was the best held this session by far. Last Sunday the turn-out was very disappointing but all the members were present last night and that goes to improve the situation somewhat. The men seemed to realize at last that it meant work to get up such music as has been procured for the coming Sunday concert and gave their whole energies to making the practice as successful as possible.

When asked what he thought of the practice, the leader stated that he had no doubt whatever now that the orchestra would be able to make an even bet with those who had done on a similar occasion last year. He stated that they seemed to have got the right spirit at last and were working as well as one could expect. The playing, he maintained, was better than ordinary, more intelligent, more thorough and in every way superior.

THINGS THEATRICAL

OMAR THE TENTMAKER.

Friends here will be interested to learn that Mrs. Wilfred Buckland, wife of a member of the firm of Tully and Buckland, Inc., which brings a play to the Princess Theatre next week, was formerly Veda McEvers, of Montreal. Both in University circles, when she was a student at McGill, and in the society of the city, she made many friends. It is expected that she will come from New York for the opening of "Omar the Tentmaker," in which her husband is interested, at the Princess Theatre, on Monday evening.

Richard Walton Tully, distinguished playwright, who is the author of "Omar the Tentmaker," is a graduate of the University of California, Class of '01. For years he has been contemplating the production of such a play as this. He had it in mind in his undergraduate days. When he was at college Mr. Tully made a name for himself as a writer of plays by his work "James Roberts Freshman," which was written when he was a junior.

Since leaving college Mr. Tully has written and produced several plays, notable among these being that which came before the people of Montreal last spring namely, "The Bird of Paradise," which it will be remembered, is one of the most beautiful and most interesting of the plays that have appeared in the last few years.

Since leaving college Mr. Tully has spent a large portion of his time in the east, studying conditions with a view to the production of this unique play. Never before has Omar Khayyam, the wonderful poet, been presented on the stage.

Never before has a Persian setting been given in the theatre. Never before has one of Richard Walton Tully's beautiful plays been given such a costly and beautiful production. Montreal is to be favored with the first appearance of this singular work.

When in the East, Mr. Tully lived for months in the villa of Elhu Vedder, the famous painter on the island of Capri, rich in the lore of the wonderful Persian. He procured, during his trip in the Orient, some of the finest Arabian steeds, that he might have with him in California, something that would recall pleasant memories of the land about Nishapur, where Omar lived. An Arabian mare figure appears in his play. During these years Mr. Tully has been amassing a library as well as getting together a mass of information that is not to be obtained in books about Omar Khayyam and the land of Persia.

Never before has a Persian philosopher, this individual whose ideas were far in advance of those of the people of his own time and in some respects, perhaps, in advance of those of our own time, will appear in his natural environment, surrounded by the picturesqueness of the garden spot of the world.

SCIENCE DINNER.

One hundred and ninety-eight men voted in favor of having a Science dinner this year, and of this number 140 students pledged themselves to support the dinner to the amount of two dollars and fifty cents.

THE NEW GRAND.

The famous English favorite, Lily Langtry, and a specially select coterie of associate players in an absorbing three-part photo play, "His Neighbor's Wife," is the feature offering at the New Grand, Montreal's parlor photo playhouse, St. Catherine street and Stanley.

Mrs. Langtry infuses all her old time clever art in "His Neighbor's Wife," which is a tense drama of fidelity, and the onlookers at times are made to realize just why the "Jersey Lily's" every visit is the signal for such tremendous innovations. The photographer plays a most important part in this excellent photo play, and might well feel proud as "His Neighbor's Wife" is the acme of latter day remarkable motion picture making. This film will be retained for the first part of the present week. Besides Mrs. Langtry the New Grand has an entirely different and superior exclusive feature programme, which includes "A Thousand Dollar Short," "The Tell Tale Handkerchief," "A Disastrous Bet," according to seniority, and Canadian scenic views are given Monday and Tuesday, to be changed Wednesday and Friday. The added attraction of the week is Miss Dorothy J. Dunn, who sings several high class ballads as only this inimitable artist can. Mephisto's orchestra again attest their popularity by introducing an extensive and varied "Concert de Luxe" at each performance.

MINING STUDENTS HEAR FIRST AID LECTURE

Dr. McCrae Discusses Fractures—Rigaud Trip a Week From Saturday

The first of Dr. McCrae's lectures on "First Aid to the Injured" was held last night in the Chemistry Building. The audience numbered about thirty-five, the maximum allowed by the St. John's Ambulance Corps, under whose auspices the classes are being held. It consisted chiefly of mining students, but included several from other branches of the Faculty of Science. The speaker gave a few general rules to be followed in case of accident, and then went on to speak of the nature and treatment of fractures of various bones. At the conclusion of the lecture each man was requested to register, and received an instruction book and one of the society's patent triangular bandages, which can be used in treating practically any injury. Lectures will be held next Wednesday and the Wednesday following, after which there will be an interval until after the Christmas exams. At the conclusion of the course an examination will be held, and those who are successful in passing it will obtain certificates from the St. John's Ambulance Corps. Unless something unforeseen occurs, the trip to the Curtis-Harvey Co.'s powder factory at Rigaud will be made on Saturday, December 13.

Confessions of a Hopeful Man

It Was the Old, Old Story; It All Started on the Campus, And He Is Once More Hopeful

In the happy, frivolous junior days of a peculiar joy, which later became something of a sorrow, entered my life. It is the old story—the same when Eve was in her smiling teens or when Adam's ribs were young—but my confession is altogether individualistic, and it is for this reason that I make it known. Oh! If those central campus trees only tell a little of what they have witnessed, then this confession would be found lacking.

One of the old time skating parties was in process, just such a one that I found myself in a happy, binding altar scene. The director of the cranky cranky must have been developing a case even more exclusive than mine for many intermissions were called. After an exceptional chaperon exertion I was breathing myself, leaning against the planks when immediately two people on skates bore down upon me. They were dressed in furs. The well-dressed were soon over, and I began to feel that this was no ordinary occurrence. It was individualistic.

Here is the place to inquire of the elms, for my brain became mystified. The intermissions and regular numbers must have ended, for I dimly recall words that fell upon my ears as sayings not lawful for a man to utter, but as the self-analysis is to be complete no part can be withheld.

"Won't you come and see us sometime," I found myself being asked, "come to tea next Sunday, if you have nothing else to do." I had but time to bow. "Are you sure you are not busy Sunday?" Here after great effort I found myself faltering speech. I declared frankly and with as much emphasis as my lack of breath would permit that there was no living man in Montreal who had less to do than myself on Sundays. The final agreement was made, and I was asked to meet at a certain place, and I went. It was a most fair beginning. Of course, as may be expected, the following day, which was Saturday, fought long and hard, but finally had to beat an ignominious retreat. Sunday morning also was compelled to withdraw before the chariot wheels of Father Time. The early afternoon was occupied with minute preparations. Then, dodging all my friends I went secretly forth. Without being fully conscious of passing events, I found myself about to ring the doorbell. This done, after the exploration of a suitable period, the door was opened.

"Won't you come in?" Of course, having lived the two previous days of the time of embracing that privilege, I did not expect it would be put in question form. I was glad to see the lady of the furs was herself a little disconcerted, so the door was not all closed. She opened the door wider, she enclosed herself behind it. "Won't you let me take your hat," came forth in an inquiring tone. With a feeble hand I willingly surrendered the bag, one of Curpan's specials, mark you, not caring if I never saw it again; but in so doing her hand touched mine.

Something approximating to an electric shock, though I have never touched a live wire, went through my entire body. Now I was firmly convinced that there was something extraordinary about this rapidly developed case. I had rung door bells before, and on Sunday afternoons too, but there was something exclusive about this episode. I thought to myself that there was no telling where this might end. "Mother, this is Mr. —" Whereupon Mrs. — received me in a manner well calculated to sustain, if not to deepen, the impression of her laughter, her created. "What year are you in, Mr. —" Conscious of an unusual flow of blood in my flushed face, I replied the Junior. "How nice, Whilomena is only a Freshie," I looked at Whilomena, and

from that moment all my self-control was transferred. I felt that I was no longer my own property. About this time Mr. — came down from the library, looking sleepy and smelling of smoke. His reception was very quiet and businesslike; and the conversation began to settle down into well defined channels. Mrs. — always in the lead, with myself a few lengths in the rear. Thus the surface ice was broken.

The evening passed like a lotus-land's dream, and I realized by Mr. — yawning, to which was accompanied a cracking of the jaws, that it was a safe time to depart. I withdrew, feeling very awkward, while two voices with excellent syllabic stress repeated, "Won't you come again to see us?" This was not an opportunity to be tossed aside lightly, and I resolved to follow up the advantage that might have been gained. Forth I then went in high spirits, but there was a certain dark doubt as to whether the growth of stores and gratification could endure the constant testing of a more intimate knowledge. Yet hope is young and cupid keeps his hope.

In the meantime, while waiting for a reasonable period to elapse before paying a second visit, I began to make the best of my personal appearance. Every morning, tears or no tears, the shaving operation was performed. All this was new. The redoubtable landlady, a woman of fearful memory, could only see her way clear to have hot water two mornings a week. Consequently, I seriously contemplated purchasing a thermos bottle in order to keep a supply of hot water on hand, but this scheme never matured. I did buy furnishings, however, calculated to improve my dress. Attention at first was directed towards the outlying bodily members. Gloves, shoes, and a hat were procured within a brief space of time. Besides, the extra budget drawn up included a special appropriation for neckties. This was a most unusual proceeding, yet I never attempted to bring myself to look for such preparations. I always argued that these were safe and even necessary investments; and that was almost right, for I still wear the gloves and shoes, though the latter are far too tight. At any rate, decked in these, I went forth to Whilomena's part of the city, merely to acquaint myself thoroughly with that particular locality, and there I frequently wandered about. In the morning I narrowly escaped the ice man's accuracy, and in the evening the Star man with higher elevation was more deadly. But only once did I chance to see Whilomena. Then she was walking with her mother, who looked rather stern, but Whilomena, who carried a small dog of real flesh and blood, appeared romantically enough. I did not envy the dog, though that is the customary attitude under such circumstances.

Finally the time drew near for the second visit. It was a Sunday afternoon, too, but somehow the old glow was gone. I even stopped on the way to converse with a classmate. The indifference came about so suddenly I could not be accounted for. We, that is Whilomena and I went to church, and I experienced rare difficulty in getting her off the street car, for lobsterwise she backed off. The first was burning low, and soon went out completely. The premature growth soon broke near the ground. But it has not left me indifferent in other quarters. There was no remorse to me on this point, so I am on no strange as it may seem. I am once again hopeful, and would take this opportunity to quietly suggest the same. But only serious minded, companionable young men need be expectant; and there are these further stipulations, namely, that she must under no consideration carry a poodle dog, nor get off a street car backwards.

W. I. G.

Correspondence

Dear Mr. Editor:

When you look down at the signature of this letter, you will probably think that there is no place for it in your paper. Well, I take my chance because there is something I want to say. I went over to your Union the other night to hear the boys and girls debate. I went partly because I was interested in the question, partly because I like to follow what the young folks are doing. Well, I am not going to discuss the debate—not but what I liked it well enough—the girls did pretty well, I thought. Your fellows hadn't very much to say, but then they had the wrong side of the argument. I didn't blame them much for trying to make a joke of it. No, what struck me the wrong way and what sets me writing now—yes you must see something I am not very well accustomed to—was what that judge said. Mr. Editor, the tone that man took when he spoke about women and their powers gave me a shock and sent me a long way further into the lines of the agitators than I ever thought I could go. Half snarl and half squally sentiment, half vinegar and half poor maple syrup he gave those good serious girls, and appeared to think he was offering sound nourishment. I am told he is a mighty clever man, has written books and is well up on all sorts of things. Well, he is not very well up on women. Walking home, I figured it out like this. Here is a man who knows a thousand things that I never shall know, and has a great command of language, yet when he comes to say a word for and about me and my kind he goes as wrong as if he were the silliest dunce. What are we going to do about it? Well, I guess the women have got to learn to speak for themselves. It is too late for me, but I am thinking about my grandchild, Jenny, and I have my mind made up about her right now. That little girl has somehow got to be trained to do her own thinking and to get a good outfit of language for use when necessary. She's only six now, but you can't begin too soon. I am going to take the first chance of going in to talk to her with the Lady Principal at the R. V. C. She might put me on to the right way to begin.

I was just thinking this over on the way home, when a little French woman grabbed my arm. She is my next door neighbor, and, like me, takes student roomers. I found she had been at the debate too, and was more excited about it than I was, and madder at the judge. "He makes me feminine mal-

gre, moi," she said. Which I took to mean that he had piled her into going further than she would have gone by herself, which was about what I have said I felt. Well, he ought to make a good missionary for the suffrage societies to send into those places where the women are all antis, or on the fence. I shouldn't be inclined to go and hear him again myself, but meantime I have this proposition of Jenny's education on my hands. I used to be everlastingly against the yapping sort of woman, but those college girls of yours were a decent enough sort of type. I think the R. V. C. will be all right when we get that far.

If you print this, Mr. Editor, you will everlastingly oblige.

A PLAIN WOMAN.

EYE AND BRAIN

That the eye is the window of the soul, not only in a poetical but in a mathematical sense, conformably to the data of the most modern physiology, appears from recent experiments which indicate that it corresponds in size very faithfully with the weight of the brain. As our brains, among other things, are reservoirs of the sensations sent thither from eye and ear and hand, and also workshops wherein these sensations are combined and made over into movements of the limbs, constituting acts, it might be expected that reservoir and workshop would be larger when the sources of these sensations were more extended. So it seems to be with the eye at least. The rat, with its little beady eye, has a disproportionately small brain; the large-eyed quirel, of the same family, has a much larger one. Possibly the Greeks, who so admired the large, liquid orb, that "cow-eyed" with them was a complimentary epithet as applied to a woman, were right after all, as they so frequently were. Henri Langier, writing on this subject of brain-weight in La Nature, says in part:

"Is it possible to establish a relation between the intellectual development of a given animal and the weight of its brain? This question has been asked since we have more or less explicitly adopted the idea that the brain is the substratum of the mental functions. The naturalists, on the one hand, and the anthropologists on the other, have tried to analyze the different factors that determine brain-weight. The first anthropologists trained the question in its most ambitious form: they hoped to ascertain and measure the variations of intelligence in different individuals of the same race

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MCGILL HOCKEY TEAM MAY PLAY HARVARD ON JAN. 31

Games Also Being Arranged With St. Michael's and Sherbrooke—The Game With Queens Not Postponed

At a meeting of the Hockey Club last night it was decided to try and arrange a game with St. Michael's in Toronto if the proper guarantee were forthcoming. A game is being arranged with Harvard for Jan. 31.

Regarding the proposal to postpone the game with Queens slated for Jan. 16, it was decided that the original date should be adhered to.

Jan. 10 is open for a game and arrangements are to be made for a game with Sherbrooke there on that date.

A meeting of the class representatives is called for Tuesday, December 9, in Room B, Strathcona Hall. Those classes who as yet have not elected their representatives are asked to do so at once in order that they may be represented at the above-mentioned meeting.

JUNIORS WILL PLAY ON SHAMROCK GROUNDS

For Dominion Laurels—University Would Not Allow Them to Charge Admission

The Westmount Juniors and the Capitals, of Toronto, will contend for the Dominion championship laurels on the Shamrock grounds on Saturday afternoon.

There was a possibility of the match being played on the University Campus but the authorities would not allow the teams to charge admission, and so they were forced to make other arrangements.

MCGILL MAN FIGURES IN Y. M. HANDICAPS

Walters Showed Good Form in Senior Fancy Dive

Only one man from McGill figured in the handicaps at the Y.M.C.A. last night. Walters did extremely well in the optional dive, holding his own against Ross Johnson, of the Y.M., who came first, and Leishman, of the M. A. A., who came second. He was at his best, however, in the senior fancy dive.

In the water polo game which took place McGill and the M. A. A. formed a combined team, Walters and Penney representing McGill.

Pengelly's entry in the senior 50 yards open was somehow or other overlooked, and he was unable to take part.

A. S. Lamb, McGill's popular gymnasium instructor, acted as starter.

COLLEGES EVERYWHERE

Pithy Paragraphs All-run-in-together

The Brown Daily Herald celebrated its 22nd anniversary this week.

The Brown Daily Herald is now in its twenty-third year. It was founded on December 2nd, 1891.

James A. Ten Eyck, whose name has been mentioned as head coach of the Yale crew, has just signed a five year contract with Syracuse.

The freshmen of Michigan University did fail to become the "Keepers of the Big Grin." They have already relinquished the degree by passing a resolution encouraging every freshman to speak to every other freshman regardless of introductions.

Nelson Stroblidge Talbott, 14, of Dayton, Ohio, was elected captain of the Yale football team at a meeting held the other evening. Talbott played left tackle during the season and distinguished himself by his exceptionally hard rushing and tackling. He prepared at Hotchkiss which was also the school of the present year's captain. He is 21 years old, 6 feet 1 inch tall, and weighs 189 pounds.

THE EDITOR RAVES

I called up to find the Editor lately when he was ill. I found him in bed, his feet sticking out between the posts at the end. He did not recognize me, not that that was anything new, because he has owed me ten bob for at least three years. He was gesticulating and muttering to himself in Gaelic. After a while he broke out in English. "Mr. Keith" (viciously) "thinks Mr. Lloyd George is biased against the landlords. Sir, he is just showing his absolute ignorance of the question. Landlords! Brutes and tyrants! who burnt the houses of the poor peasants over their heads and drove them out upon the cruel sea, there to live or die. 'Och! I thought I was arguing at a Union Debate. Fine Union Debate I'll be without me. Warr-pleased I'm not there—not much chance with me, poor chap."

"Better—I'll soon be better. 'Varsity's going to the dogs without me. S.R.C.—Representative 'stutions—personalities, that's what we want. Silly ass Dobbie's making a muck of the magazine—needs me to keep him right. What's he mean putting that caricature of me in? It's not like me, I'm quite good-looking—quite. Good-looking—I'm going to take antipon—then a Kilt. 'Mabel! Just one! I wasn't, I swear I wasn't. I've never been drunk in my life. I'm teetotal. I couldn't get drunk if I tried. I'll drown myself then. Excited! I'm never excited. I won't do it again. I'll never touch a drop again! Mabel! Be friends now.' (Here he kissed the bedpost warmly.) 'Order, gentlemen, order! The S.R.C. must respect the chair. Order!'

BABY CARRIAGE COST IS THROWN IN TOO

In Police Court at Kingston Wednesday morning, two students from Queen's were fined for acting disorderly on Hallowe'en night. One of the pair was charged with tearing down the sign at the Takito Auction Co. and his case was adjourned from Monday last, when he was fined on another charge. Wednesday morning another student named Carnachan appeared, who claimed that he was the man who had destroyed the sign. He realized that he was leaving himself liable but he knew that the other student was not guilty. The magistrate fined him \$5 and costs.

The charge against the first student, Young, was amended to disorderly conduct. To this he pleaded guilty and was touched for \$3 and costs. The damage to the sign and the baby carriage which was destroyed in the rush, will also be paid by the students.

This morning's session resembled a college social. The court room was crowded with students, and every one, even the two prisoners, enjoyed themselves. Mr. W. F. Nickle, K.C., M.P., appeared for the students, and in the course of arguments, he and the magistrate commenced to exchange reminiscences of the days when they were in college.

"This destroying of property must be stopped. Do you remember, Mr. Nickle, when we went to school we thought we were having a fine time if they allowed us to walk down the middle of the street and sing our songs uninterrupted. We thought we were having a great time then, didn't we?"

"Yes," replied Mr. Nickle, "but I refuse to give evidence against myself."

Queen's University Dramatic Club held its first night of this season at the Asylum Wednesday night and produced the three delightful one-act plays which will be seen in the Grand-to-morrow night. The titles of these charming little plays are "Sunset," "My Uncle's Will," and "A Fool's Holiday," the last named having been written by Mr. C. A. Girdler, the clever Kingston boy. Those three comedies make a fine night's entertainment and are well worth seeing.

G. Y. Chown, registrar of Queen's, has written to the mayor asking for the co-operation of the city in meeting the requirements of the fire underwriters. Queen's will put on a night watchman, and asks the city to lay the mains and make the connections to the college grounds, at the expense of the university. Some time ago, Chief Armstrong recommended better fire protection for Queen's.

Hon. Col. Sam Hughes spoke on Thursday at the Science dinner

—Prisoner at the bar, it is my painful duty, as His Majesty's Judge, to sentence you to the ordinary penalty of the law. You will therefore be hanged—man, I'd like to say that to MacHardy. You will therefore be hanged—to blazes with that pillow!

Good-bye, Mair! It's thinking of you I'll be in the big town. Don't be taking up with another lad when I'm away. Never! There's no other girl like you, mo leannain. I never speak to him in Edinburgh. I don't know any at all. Och! there's no girls like the Lochinver ones. (Here he kissed the other bedpost warmly. Then came a sudden change to dignity—he was in the House of Commons.)

"Mr. Speaker, I have listened with great interest to the able speech of the leader of the opposition, but as long as I am head of His Majesty's Government, the Liberal party will endeavor to the utmost to carry out the policy of my distinguished predecessor, Mr. Lloyd George. Sir, the last speaker knows absolutely nothing of the subject. I ask him this one question, Has he ever been in Lochinver where the landlords burnt the houses of the poor peasants over their heads and drove them out upon the cruel sea, there to live or die?" We shall conclude by singing in the 100th Psalm. Preach! Of course I can preach—better—Warr. I've done it. Man, I made the congregation sit up. I've never been asked to preach again though. Brethren, you will find my text in Jeremiah. Jeremiah, I may say, knows absolutely—Confound that pillow!"

This time the pillow did hit me and I departed from his presence.—C. M. M. In The Edinburgh "Student."

MCGILL L. I. D. IS HIGHLY HONOURED

Dr. Thomas Keefer, Is Made Honorary Member of American Society of Civil Engineers—Aged Ninety-three

Dr. Thomas C. Keefer, C.M.G., of Ottawa, who in 1905 McGill honored by the bestowal of the degree of LL.D., has been further honored by the American Society of Civil Engineers. In his ninety-third year he has been elected an honorary member. In 1888, Mr. Keefer was elected president of this society, being the only person, not a citizen of the United States, who has ever had that honor conferred upon him.

It was only a few months ago that the Institute of Civil Engineers of England also made Mr. Keefer an honorary member, one of the highest distinctions that can be made by that organization. The number of honorary members in the Institute of Civil Engineers of England is only nineteen at the present time, and all are prominent men in the recent annals of the world's history. His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught, Kaiser William of Germany, Lord Roberts and Lord Kitchener are among the distinguished members.

In his life Mr. Keefer has been connected with many of the most important engineering works of Canada. He was the engineer who planned the waterworks systems of Montreal, Hamilton and Ottawa. His plans and reports were accepted for the building of the Victoria Tubular Bridge over the St. Lawrence River. He was chairman of the Royal Commission on Ice Floods, the Canadian Commissioner to the first International Exhibition in London in 1887, and again at the exhibition of 1882. In 1878, he was the Canadian Commissioner to the Paris Exhibition. For these services he was created an officer of the Legion of Honor and decorated with the title C.M.G.

As far back as 1850, Thomas Coltrin Keefer won Lord Elgin's prize for the best essay on the "Influence of the Canals of Canada on Agriculture," and since that date he has published many essays and reports, and delivered many lectures relative to engineering. In 1891 Mr. Keefer was elected a fellow of the Royal Society of Canada, and president of the same society in 1897.

At the good old age of ninety-two, Mr. Keefer still enjoys excellent health, and his mind is active and energetic in pursuit of those public problems and questions in which he has played so important a part.

HANDS LIKE WORK SAYS PROF. MUENSTERBERG

Deplores Lack of Study of the Human Mind and Consequent Waste of Energy

The theory that uniformity in work is disagreeable, humiliating and unworthy and that it lessens the efficiency of the individual worker has been characterized by Prof. Muensterberg as "one of those many prejudices which result from a superficial view without psychological analysis."

Speaking on "Efficiency in Industry" at the Boston School of Social Science in Lorimer Hall, he reminded his audience of what had been said, and written, about "the machine age," and about the real source of its misery consisting of the monotony of work. "That takes for granted," he said, "that the work which is repetitive is less satisfactory and less dignified. But such an assumption is utterly wrong from the psychological point of view."

"Psychological analysis shows there are two kinds of minds, one of which enjoys uniform and the other alternating work. If you go through a factory, as I have done, and question people who are doing what seems intolerably tiresome, and the same thing from morning to night all the year round, you will find that they are enjoying it and enjoying themselves."

"Work should therefore be suited to the individual disposition, and we should examine the mind of the individual to determine for what kind of work he is most fitted. We must study the individual, his powers of attention, memory, emotional disposition, perceptive powers, energy, in order to find out what particular activities will suit him."

"There is to-day an immense waste of energy through allowing boys and girls to go into occupations for which they are unfit on account of their mental equipment. Nine-tenths of our people are in occupations as the result of mere chance and without any reference to their fitness."

Prof. Muensterberg also called attention to the need of right ways of acquiring facility in such work as typewriting and telegraphy. He showed that the quickest way is the least efficient in this end, that the method used to bring the highest efficiency is always slow and difficult at the beginning. He pleaded for at least as much attention in factories to adapting the worker and the work to each other as the manufacturer gives to other features of his business.

"It is surprising," he said, "to see the immense amount of energy and scientific inquiry put into the study of machines, of raw material and market conditions, and yet, on the other hand, to see how little scientific study is devoted to that part of the industrial work which is, after all, essentially the human mind."

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Round About the College

To Which Everybody Is a Reporter

The C.O.T.C. will hold a smoker a week from Saturday.

The clock in the Arts Building is on the sick list.

There will be a mothers' meeting at the University Settlement to-day and to-morrow.

One of the members of the faculty took advantage of two opportunities to attend the Princess Theatre this week. The company has only run half of its course here, and it is not impossible that he will have seen five performances before the week ends.

The Executive of the Architectural Society will have their photographs taken at Rice's at 12.15 to-morrow.

The first of a series of lectures on "First Aid to the Injured" was delivered last night by Dr. McCrae, under the auspices of the St. John's Ambulance Association. They will be held for the benefit of all students, but especially the mining men.

The Executive of the Political Economy Club will meet at Rice's this afternoon to have their pictures taken.

All but perhaps half a dozen of the Law students voted for their Students' Council representative last Wednesday. In one of the morning classes, all the years were together, and the lecturer kindly announced there would be a faculty meeting after his hour. The poll stood 48 for Howard to 25 for Wanklyn.

There was a practice of the Mandolin Club last night in Peate's Studio, St. Catherine street west.

Mr. Tait MacKenzie, a graduate of McGill University, will lecture to the Art Association on December 18. He has written to Principal Peterson asking whether it will be possible to obtain a hall in which to exhibit moving pictures for McGill students. It is feared, however, that it will be too near the Christmas holidays to make a move in that direction.

There was a meeting of the Executive of the Political Economy Club in the Library yesterday afternoon.

There were ten more votes cast in the three faculties of Science, Arts and Law last Wednesday in the balloting for representatives on the Students' Council than two years ago in the election for president. It is much larger than the vote last March for the different faculty representatives, when the Science men voted to the number of 374, and the Arts 177. The total vote cast last March in the three faculties approximated 610, although those of Law are not exactly obtainable. The aggregate last Wednesday was 681, and that a year ago last Spring was 671. Last Wednesday's vote was Science 435, Arts 178, Law 70.

The C.O.T.C. Rifle Range was yesterday opened for shooting practice. It will be open from 4 to 6 p.m. on Thursdays and Mondays.

Boxing practice was held at the Union last evening. Mondays and Tuesdays at 7.30 have been named as the dates of the regular practices.

A. W. Murdoch, Senior '15, and D. M. Trapnell, Science '14, are down with typhoid at the Royal Victoria Hospital.

At the last meeting of the Pomological and Fruit Growers' Society of Quebec Province, Prof. Bunting was elected president. Prof. Bunting is one of the faculty of the Agricultural Section of Macdonald College.

Twenty books are missing from the reference shelves at the Library. It is hoped that the borrowers will be kind enough to return them and avoid the necessity of having an investigation.

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PURLOINING

The attention of the Daily has been called to the manner in which periodicals, and other reading matter has been abused during the present session.

It is most mortifying to students desirous of reading some choice morsel to find that their search is in vain because some other student, not content with reading, must take the liberty of clipping the paper and appropriating articles. Of course, all of us are aware that there are some pieces that one would like, but that is no reason why the enjoyment of other readers should be interfered with because of the selfishness of another.

The janitor of the Arts Building, who is one of the most obliging of men, would only be too pleased to give articles to anyone desiring them without it being necessary for him to purloin them himself.

Should anyone be found so mutilating the papers above referred to, the culprit will be severely dealt with as the ones in charge of the Arts Reading rooms have expressed their disappointment that students, from whom nothing but gentlemanly conduct is expected, should so abuse their privilege.

DEGREED MEN

The value of a college education is less attacked than formerly. The universities have drawn closer to the consumer of their supply, the student himself has become more practical, and the average business man is impressed with the result of the advance.

McGill is more than ever before allowing special courses of study in her regular degree work. Thus the many faculties bearing the name McGill. Thus, too, the final two years of particularization advocated in each of her faculties.

We have now a Master of Arts, who is not expected to know just a little more than the Bachelor of Arts about everything, but a very great deal more about one subject, such as philosophy, history, or English. While, generally, a Doctor is a man who has written an excellent thesis about one subject, and done a great deal of practical research in it as well.

It follows that the student is readier to undertake his peculiar brand of practical work when he leaves. This is especially so in the McGill Science courses, where the student has to do just the type of work which he expects to carry on when he graduates. In the McGill law faculty many students carry on their studies and their apprenticeship practically together.

Even the Arts lectures, deemed the most abstract of all, are now made as practical as possible. The historical method of teaching and thinking, however more advantageous in brain development the inductive system may be, leads to closer association with life as it is.

The business man is beginning to note these changes. He now more than formerly demands the college graduate in preference to the common school graduate. But he demands, too, that the graduate be specialized in his work.

EDITORIAL NOTES

It is interesting to note in connection with the report of the Canadian Technical Education Commission, which alludes to the popularity of continuation schools in the most progressive cities in England, that they were on Tuesday last made compulsory in Boston for pupils between 14 and 16 year of age. There was considerable opposition to "so drastic an innovation."

All Daily readers will share in the congratulations being extended to Dean Galbraith, of the School of Applied Science at Varsity. He entered Toronto as a Freshman half a century ago, and for 35 years has been a leading spirit in his faculty. A banquet is being tendered him to-night, at which his former pupils and college chums, many of them now leading engineers in the United States and Canada, will be present. McGill will be represented.

Report of Technical Education Is Issued

Commissioners Find That Continuation Classes for Young People Growing Increasingly Popular—Education in Germany Is for State, Not for Self

(Specially contributed.)

The report of the Royal Commission appointed in June, 1910, has now been issued.

It will be remembered that the seven Commissioners were to report to the Minister of Labor at Ottawa the results of their investigation into the needs and present equipment of Canada in respect of Industrial Training and Technical Education. The provinces were consulted and expressed approval of the action of the Dominion Government in the matter of Education, which under the Constitution of Canada, is specially included among the functions of the provinces rather than of the Dominion.

The intention of the Dominion Government, as stated by Mr. Mackenzie King, then Minister of Labor, was that the Commission should be solely for the purpose of gathering information, the latter when obtained to be published in a report to be at the disposal of the provinces, and available for general distribution.

It was also felt that such a Commission might render valuable service since it would be in a position to conduct an inquiry on a wider and more comprehensive scale than could be done by the different provinces, and which if undertaken by the latter individually would lead to duplication and re-duplication of energy and expense.

The inquiry of the Commission included a survey of the need of workers of Canada in manufacturing, and other industries such as Building Construction, Rolling Mills, Foundries, Machine Shops, Electrical, Chemical, Wood, Textile, Clothing, etc.; in Agriculture, including Live Stock, Dairy-farming, Poultry Culture, Fisheries, Mining and Quarrying, Forestry; in commerce and transportation; in home-making and housekeeping.

They obtained much information concerning general conditions of industry and labor in Canada, with regard to the growth of business, the sources of raw materials, the markets for products, the sources of skilled and unskilled labor, and child labor.

It is interesting to learn that the Commission included in their inquiries "the conditions under which the workers earn their wages and live out their daily lives." "Efficiency depending largely upon whether they live under wholesome conditions, rather than those which depress their physical vitality and make them less vigorous workers and less satisfied citizens."

The equipment of the Dominion for industrial training and technical education was surveyed in connection with

universities, colleges, technical and trade schools, agricultural schools, Normal schools, high schools and primary schools—and the results embodied in Part IV. of the report.

The Commission also visited other countries. Of England they say that the awakening interest in Industrial Training and Technical Education has brought about much rivalry between various cities as to which shall have the finest institutions for its young people. "Nor," they continue, "is the attention and interest mainly devoted to material equipment."

The effort is focussed on the boy and girl particularly between the ages of fourteen and eighteen throughout the countries visited. Continuation Classes, Art Classes, Technical Classes are said to be largely attended by children whose ordinary schooling ends at the age of fourteen. In Halifax, England, sixty per cent. of all boys and girls who leave the primary school attend either day technical classes or evening vocational schools, and in many other cities the attendance is nearly as high. In four-fifths of the States of Germany either for the whole state or for cities of over ten thousand in population attendance at continuation classes of some sort is compulsory between the ages of fourteen and seventeen. And it seemed evident that the people generally have a liking for these classes, though to begin with there was a good deal of hostility to the compulsion to attend. An instance is quoted of a school in Switzerland where out of a class of thirty-one lads who had attended under the compulsory regulations for two years, thirty were ready to continue attendance voluntarily, while the opinion was given that not more than one-third of that particular class would have attended without the compulsory requirement.

Another interesting impression is recorded, namely, that there appears to be neither in England nor in Germany any self-satisfaction with the system and methods of education adopted, but everywhere consciousness of weakness and failure and desire to improve. In Germany, perhaps, more than any other country, they were impressed by the apparent solidarity of the feeling of citizenship, and by the fact that "Education did not seem to be planned or cherished as a means whereby the individual could get ahead of other individuals, but was regarded as a great national service, whereby all were being trained in ability for their respective occupations in the interest of the state, the personal power and well-being of the unit of the community being cared for for the sake of the state."

NEW EXPLORATIONS INTO CENTRAL AFRICA

Niger River Country Visited by Duke of Mecklenburg and Other Travellers

Two sumptuous volumes have been recently added to African literature by the Duke of Mecklenburg. The writer explains in his preface the reasons which prompted the despatch of the German Central Africa expedition of 1910-11, of which this book contains the records. A previous expedition three years earlier to Lake Victoria and Lake Kiwu produced many valuable scientific results, but the experiences then collected in the tropical forests of the Aruwimi and Congo Rivers, convinced the Duke and his companions that a lamentable deficiency of botanical and zoological information concerning the interior of Africa still existed.

In order to add to our knowledge in these directions, it was obvious that further exploration was desirable, and the German Emperor having offered financial aid and German scientific institutions entering enthusiastically into the project, a second expedition was planned and carried out by the distinguished author and a picked band of companions.

The account of the different expeditions are written by the respective leaders of the caravans. Thus in the first volume Captain von Wiese and Kallerswaldau tells of the march from the Congo to the Shari. It was a difficult undertaking, and much trouble was experienced in obtaining carriers at the outset, the soldiers sent by the Belgian Congo authorities to capture the all-important porters being killed and eaten by hostile natives! Much of the marching was very monotonous through plains of grass 13 feet high, and over marshes made swampy by heavy tropical rains. Some strange tribesmen were visited, and valuable information collected, but political considerations and fighting in surrounding districts limited the usefulness of the section. This party nearly ended its labors by being poisoned. The native cook, running out of common table salt, used as a substitute something he found amongst the photographic chemicals, and the explorers were all taken seriously ill in consequence.

The Duke of Mecklenburg contributes the next three chapters describing the wonders of the Lake Tchad district. The great lake turned out to be a vast expanse of blue water dotted with innumerable reedy islands, inhabited by friendly and most interesting native people.

Next to hunting, photography took up a great deal of the author's time, but the camera was an object of universal dread. "The natives were very shy about being photographed. All the inhabitants fled in crowds from the villages, and even the children ran away in panic. A few came back when we called them, but most took to their heels as if the devil were behind them."

The Duke's account of the Lake Tchad district is charming and picturesque, and probably the best that has ever been written about this little known district. Sport, photography, geography, and politics succeed each other rapidly through the all too scanty number of pages which he has reserved for the account of his own share of a remarkable enterprise.

Herr Ernst Helms narrates the journey to the Niger. The expedition passed through some rich and varied tracts, many of which were completely unknown to civilization. This writer has a great regard for natural scenery and bird life; he speaks with enthusiasm of tropical forests, well-kept villages and "thousands of pink pelicans winging their way homeward at sunset across the deep blue sky." His caravan passed through the heart of German Bornu, and met with many incidents on the way.

To the second volume three writers contribute their experiences. Dr. H. Schubatz describes a journey from Fort Archambault to the Nile, which brought him into touch with Anglo-Egyptian possessions.

A brother of Dr. Schubatz tells of journeys down the German Congo and across the South Cameroons, incidentally contributing some interesting notes of the Pygmy races of the forests, with the men and women of which he got on very friendly terms. Round the camp fires at night, and over the illustrated papers of civilization he discussed the affairs of Europe with the wildest folk of the equatorial jungles. The Pygmies are everywhere hunters of great game.

"There exists a kind of mutual compact between the Bantus on the one hand and the Pygmies on the other, whereby the latter are supplied by the former with fruit, hunting weapons, and various indispensable trifles, in return for which they give up some of their coveted elephant meat and ivory," the author says. There is no question of the dwarfs being in subjection to other tribes, as some travellers have asserted. The Pygmies are fully aware of their importance as providers of meat, and it matters little to them which villages they supply, since they are never in danger of cannibal attacks by the inhabitants.

These two handsome volumes are of absorbing interest throughout. Most of the explorations which they record were conducted in French or Belgian territories, and mention of England is seldom met with. Regarded from a literary standpoint the narratives convey a certain impression of hurriedness and condensation, owing doubtless to the fact that each writer had to compress



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